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January 3, 2019
Subject: Tweet Jesus!
Hi, Amy here (uploader).
There's more Birds like this, learning about God -
Idolatry
https://archive.org/details/Idolatry_962
What is church?
https://archive.org/details/WhatIsChurch_887
Prayer
https://archive.org/details/Prayer_482
About sin
https://archive.org/details/AboutSin
Repentance
https://archive.org/details/Repentance_142
Unforgiveness
https://archive.org/details/Unforgiveness_89
And here's something more in-depth about God,
learning about Him and following Him, and leaving
the world behind.
Come Out Of The World
https://archive.org/details/ComeOutOfTheWorld/ComeOutOfTheWorld_Amycat1010.m4a
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January 4, 2019
Subject: In His Own Prison
This short recording describes a man who, locked up in his own mind, can't see past
his own thoughts, and trust Jesus.
Here's another audio of mine, about taking Jesus up on that offer of freedom -
When You're Ready To Follow Jesus
https://archive.org/details/WhenYoureReadyToRecieveJesus
-Amy (uploader)
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January 14, 2019
Subject: Deeper Still
Hi, Amy here (uploader).
In this recording I tell the story of sending my Bible (anonymously) to a Serial
Killer - and how God can forgive us all, no matter what.
More Christian audio in this list
(Christian talk)
https://archive.org/details/fav-jan19_
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and, another talk on His love -God is with us, God is love https://archive.org/details/Various3/GodIsWithUsGodIsLove2008Amycat1010.aac . . . January 18, 2019 Subject: Prisoner In this cartoon, a confused bird sits alone in a cage. If you look closely, you'll see that the bird really isn't caged at all ~ as there's no bars behind him. Hence, an imaginary cage. It's all in the mind. This video is part of an even sadder, weirder compilation -Utter Sadness Compilation https://archive.org/details/BirdtownComics-UtterSadnessCompilation enjoy! These Birdtown Birds aren't ALWAYS lost, depressed, and confused. In fact, some of the Birds recently met... Jesus!! (Birds Following Jesus - list) https://archive.org/details/fav-birdsfollowingjesus . . . January 21, 2019 Subject: Stepping Stones Hi, Amy here (uploader.) In this audio I describe how I coped with living in an environment where I felt I had no control over my life. It wasn't my own home, it was a place we were staying at, an old "family home", where I was safe, yet ... lonely. A foreigner. So, gardening was one of the things I did to "dig in" and feel connected, and the stepping stones described here are still a vivid memory, because creating that "trail" overcame me, even consumed me, until it was completed. There's more stories (audio) of mine here https://archive.org/details/Stories-Random2008-2013 ...sorry if I'm boring And here's even MORE of my incessant storytelling -My Christian Walk https://jan152019.blogspot.com/2019/01/my-christian-walk.html (on blog) . . . January 22, 2019 Subject: DeNOminations In this audio, I get into the topic of how distracting and disillusioned today's

organized "churches" have become, leading only to dissention, confusion, and

deception.

Here's something else I put together on the topic of church - What is church? (cartoon) https://archive.org/details/BirdsFollowJesus-WhatIsChurch

more Christian Talk https://archive.org/details/fav-c-talk2018

keepin' it real, A.

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February 15, 2019 Subject: The Mirror

Now that I'm growing older, in a worn-out body, I realize how vain our appearance really is.

I can't believe I put so much time and energy into how I looked, ever since my teenage years.

Some mornings, I would change clothes SEVERAL times, until I found just the "right look" for that day, even if it made me late for school.

Here's a recording on Vanity I did -

https://archive.org/details/Vanity_165/Vanity2019Amycat1010.mp3
...the picture is "All Is Vanity" by Charles Allan Gilbert (in Public Domain)

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February 19, 2019

Subject: Christian Walk

This audio is sort of an overview - condensed, but if I had more time (energy, actually) it could be a lot longer, not so much about my own experience, but more about the Christian walk in general. There's so much to say and learn about it. And I think we older Christians should take the time to explain and share more, for the younger/new Christian's sake. Many of them have nobody around to help them through the issues, and what to expect. Good pastors and churches are harder and harder to find, who can you trust these days?

What I meant to go into a little more in this audio is, the topic of what to expect when it comes to other people. To be prepared for a new level of rejection and hatred, but also, what the Bible says about that - to not only expect it, but to "count it all joy" to partake in His sufferings.

When you really understand what He went through, and why, only then can you understand why we too must suffer in His footprints, as we follow Him. Everything makes sense when viewed from the Jesus perspective.

Also, on the subject of the treatment of other people, we're not left in the dark on how to handle things.... "turning the other cheek" is a relief, when you've already known the frustrations of trying to engage in dealing with certain people. You're up against "principalities and powers". Although the enemy is subject to Jesus' authority, which is in you (as a Christian), He doesn't call us to duke it out with everybody. Rather, again and again, as you read His words, you'll hear to forgive, no matter what. To love your neighbor (all others.) To bless, and do not curse. To give. To do unto others as you would have themdo unto you.

These things aren't hard instructions, they're a relief. He's not telling us to go in and figure them out, try to understand them and fix them, and be sure and defend yourself, make sure your side is thoroughly explained, don't stop 'till you've won them over and had the upper hand... no, rather, He's letting us off the hook when

it comes to others. Bless, do not curse. Love. Forgive. And guess what? You can move on! The Bible says, what fellowship does light have with darkness?

We are not called to carry on in relationships/friendships that are harmful. But, if and when you move on, do so in love, with forgiveness towards them, releasing all hurt and anger into the hands of Jesus, who heals all wounds and gives us new beginnings.

As a new Christian, you will be hated. You will be mocked, rejected, lied to, lied about. They will try to hinder you. They will withold help from you, when it's in their ability to share. They will persecute you. You cannot change this reality of the world, but you can move on from toxic people, with a clean conscience.

There's so much more to say on this topic, but really, if you just get into the Word, drink it in, eat it, listen, follow, learn - you'll be shown everything you need for your own Christian walk.

~Amy (uploader)

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February 19, 2019

Subject: BFJ

The birds in THIS video seem to be getting it together. Getting their lives in order, making wise choices. Figuring things out, finding God.

Unlike THESE birds -Birds With Problems

https://archive.org/details/fav-btc-birdswithproblems

(same comics, on blog)

http://birdswithproblems.blogspot.com

-Amy (uploader)

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March 9, 2019

Subject: Fancy Belongings

Even better, dump them all into a trash bag or box, and take to your local Goodwill, or similar place. Even better than that, put everything out on the curb on that special trash day, where they take anything.

Even better, don't stop there - take down all the stupid decorations in the house, and get used to bare, clean walls. If you find yourself sensory deprived, turn on an Audio Bible, sit down, (you can keep a chair), close your eyes, and let the Bible stories fill your mind.

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April 30, 2019 Subject: Fantasy

Who doesn't like fantasy? It's fun, dreamy, imaginative ~ like an interesting daydream that flows in unexpected directions.

The problem is the times we're living in. There's no time for us to bury our noses in fictional scenerios. We have to stay mentally awake, aware of reality, and on

guard.

Entertainment in general is a dangerous distraction, if no time at all is given to learning of God and His Word.

I have always loved fantasy and science fiction, all the way back into my early childhood. It's something I've had to lay aside, in my Christian journey. I choose to fill my head with truth, even if it's hard to accept.

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May 6, 2019

Subject: For if we sin wilfully

This audio is on the topic of how dangerous it is when Christians continue to sin without repenting and seeking forgiveness.

The same message, simplified and shortened, with a touch of humor, is in this cartoon -

About Sin

https://archive.org/details/BirdsFollowJesus-AboutSin

more talk like this, in this group

https://archive.org/details/fav-c-talk2018

Amy (amycat1010, etc)

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July 3, 2019

Subject: Don't Go Crazy - Go To Jesus

This recording says it all, in my rambling round-about way. In a world that makes even the most "normal" humans question their sanity, we still have to keep going. Putting my mind in Jesus' care is what keeps me going.

I shudder to think what would've become of me if I hadn't found Him...

More related items in this group, https://archive.org/details/fav-thebridge-(mental health with a Christian perspective)

and, a few "self help" videos, which I only named that because that's what folks call it.

When problems are too much for us, Jesus can help.

https://archive.org/details/SelfHelpVideos_775

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The Lord's Prayer~

(Matthew 6:9-13)

After this manner therefore pray ye:

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be the name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thing is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

for ever. Amen.

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To be saved through Jesus Christ, you believe in your heart, and confess to Him in prayer, that He came to earth and died for your sins, that you are a sinner, that you are truly sorry for your sins, and ask Him to forgive you through His blood that was shed for you when He gave His life for us on the cross. He will forgive you, and He's been waiting for you! Ask Him for new life, and tell Him that you're ready to begin a relationship with Him. Ask Him to come into your heart. He will do it. He "stands at the door and knocks". Open the door and invite Him in. It's the most important and best decision you will ever make. When you are ready to be saved and go to Him in prayer, just pray in your own words, from your heart. He knows you and He will answer you.

Ask to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Ask Him to open your eyes and soften your heart. He will do it, and much, much more.

As a new Christian, you will begin a new life. Read the Bible, and do what it says. Baptism is an outer sign of your new life in Christ, symbolic of the washing away of sin. However baptism is not salvation, it's an outer sign of a new beginning. This can be done in a church, or by another believer in Jesus Christ, even in your own home. God knows your heart, and joining together with other believers isn't always easy these days. But do meet with other Christians if you can, even if just virtually, online.

Avoid denominations. Learn of Him in freedom and truth. The Holy Bible is our authority, not the doctrines of man-made religious institutions - aka "the precepts of men." Beware false preachers and teachers.

Pray often. Have confidence - you are His child, and He is your Father! His love for you is unconditional, not performance based, and He loves you more than you can comprehend!

Follow Him with all of your heart. You are saved through grace, meaning, His death on the cross paid the penalty for your sins. You can't work your way into heaven.

As a Christian, you will want to serve Him, because you love Him. Not to earn your way into heaven.

Your salvation is secure.

When you stumble and sin on your journey, go to Him right away, and ask forgiveness - repent. He will forgive you. However, be careful not to grow slack in your walk, and abuse His grace. After coming into the knowledge of His truth, you cannot deliberately carry on in sin, without repentence. This is very dangerous. Unconfessed sin is a sign of not truly following Him. Not repenting, but calling yourself a Christian, puts your eternity in danger.

We must not take lightly what He did for us, on the cross. He suffered greatly, was

mocked and tortured, and died a terrible death, so that we can have access to The Father. Anyone. Anywhere. No matter what. He died for us all, so that we might live. We can't call ourselves Christians, and only follow Him based on what's comfortable to us. We can't keep on sinning without repentance, and expect to have eternal life in heaven.

Yes we are under grace, and yes we are forgiven. But we can't abuse it.

Nobody is perfect, we all are sinners and we all fall short, every day. So stay close to Him, and when you sin, go to Him right away and ask to be forgiven. You will grow stronger in time. He will help you with every temptation and struggle.

Don't seek perfection, just seek Him.

You are loved. God loves you!

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July 13, 2019

Subject: When You're Ready To Receive Jesus

This is, hopefully, a helpful thing on the subect. By no means though am I an expert on this, even though I talk about Him a lot.

more items I put together on Christianity -A Little Christian Library https://archive.org/details/fav-littlechristianlibrary (Contains more items created by me, but not all.)

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Galatians 6:16-21

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

How do you follow Jesus?
https://archive.org/details/HowDoYouFollowJesus

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July 24, 2019

Subject: Come Out Of The World

A 30+ minute talk, a little bit rambling, about how in order to survive spiritually (and eternally!), we have to lay down pretty much everything we were taught to believe regarding what makes for a "good life".

This recording is part of this group ~ Christian audio https://archive.org/details/fav-71719

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The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)

After this manner therefore pray ye:
Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

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John 4:1 Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

Galatians 1:8-9 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

Matthew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'

"Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:" Romans 16:25-26

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;" 1 Timothy 4:1-2

Bibles

...don't put me back under the Law.

Back in the mid-90's, a friend of mine had a mother in law who was veering away from Christianity and getting all into Jewish traditions, Hebrew studies & what-not. Good stuff to learn about, for sure. Biblical history is fascinating. But she was starting to go overboard. Having Sabbath dinners, observing Jewish holidays, etc. She's not Jewish.

I was invited to her home once for "Bible study". Turned out to be more of a Torah study. I sat there and listened to her. She said this was a "grass roots movement", that when Christ returns, the temple procedures/animal sacrifices, etc will be reinstated. I guess she wanted to get a head start or something.

Christians going back under the Law.

Does it make them feel holy and righteous? Her son, who was a friend, was also starting to get into it. He said to me one time when I asked him about it, "Look at it this way, are you going to worship the Father, or the sacrifice? Jesus was the sacrifice." I stared at him in disbelief. And these were people that we had met at church. A small, Bible-believing, Jesus-loving, pure and simple congregation. And now he was standing there, insulting Christ.

He also quoted the passage where Jesus says, "Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill." The friend then said that this meant, Jesus came to live out the Law and promote it and that we should too.

Not so! I shot back at him and said that he was twisting Scripture. The first part is true, because the Law was still in effect while Jesus lived, because He had not yet been sacrificed! Then I said to him, "Fulfill means to complete. Jesus Christ COMPLETED the Law."

And then I said, if God were to speak to you right now on this topic, He might say something like this:
"Look at this BEAUTIFUL thing I have done. Look at what I have COMPLETED. From start to finish."

It's true. The Law is still God's Law. It is just as true today as it was then. BUT~ Jesus has taken the place for us. His death cancels our sin and what we owe. God knew from the very beginning that it was impossible for a human being to follow it perfectly.

Jesus came to LIVE OUT and COMPLETE the Law. It is finished. The rules have not changed. Our punishment has. We are absolved through the shedding of His blood. He is the Lamb without spot or blemish.

...don't denomination me.

Recently a friend & I went to this church to see a speaker. We both wondered aloud what kind of church it was. I grabbed a bulletin, and saw what kind of church we were in. My friend asked if that was

bad, I said, no, they're just off.

I got into it, explaining the whole thing, and she kept going "sshhhh!"

I have a tendency to get a little bit worked up sometimes.

We ended up getting up & leaving, before the thing even began. And we laughed the whole way back. It spawned the best conversation ever, we talked about all things false and untrue (my fave topic) and she had some really good points. We were talking about salvation, how you can really tell what a church is made of by finding out what they believe about it. Is it faith, or works? She said, how greedy is it when people strive to earn their salvation. I didn't get what she meant. She said, if it were based on works, then people would have their own selves in mind when they serve God, their own salvation, and their eye would be on the reward in heaven. I never looked at it like that before. She's right.

We were both brought up Catholic. Need I say more? This is

what I was reading today:

Matthew 23:4~12

And they tie up heavy loads, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves are unwilling to move them with so much as a finger. But they do all their deeds to be noticed by men; for they broaden their phylacteries, and lengthen the tassels of their garments. And they love the place of honor at banquets, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and respectful greetings in the market places, and being called by men Rabbi. But do not be called Rabbi; for One is your Teacher, and you are all brothers. And do not call anyone on earth your father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven. And do not be called leaders; for One is your Leader, that is, Christ. But the greatest among you shall be your servant. And whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted. And this is Jesus Himself talking! How cool is that! He's all, get off your high horse. Those called to leadership positions need to do so in humility and reverence to God, and with no shady motives.

I will not go to a church where the leaders exalt themselves as kings. I will not go to a church where I am told to confess my sin to another human being. I will not honor or pray to the mother of our Lord. It appears that Mary was very humble. Very little is mentioned about her. Even the angels in heaven refuse to be honored, why then do we attempt to pray to or give honor to a human?

So many denominations. Clubs for Christians, that's what they are.

Give me His Word, and His Word alone. Give me a church that says, ok, this is who we are. We love God, we believe and read His Word. Come on in, let's worship Him together. Brother Zeke will be doing the reading today, and Sister Eunice has a story to tell. Claude! Get up here with your banjo, let's jam! ...or something like that. Ephesians 2:8~9

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast.

We serve Him because we love Him, and it's the right thing to do. But salvation is an entire different thing. Thank God! This is why ANYONE can come to Him, no matter where you're at in life. He loves us all SO MUCH! In this cold dark messed up world, how can you not want to receive His love? It's the only thing that will never let you down, and it's big, and it's warm, and comforting, and it's REAL. Don't tell me His grace isn't sufficient. I lived it. I owe Him my life.

• Don't Denomination Me (audio)

The fact that there is sexual abuse in the Catholic church is just one problem they have, and it just so happens to be the most scandalous in our eyes, therefore it's on the news and what-not, when really, the Catholic church harbors so much more problems, the whole thing should come crashing down, and never start over again. Accept your fall, Catholic church, for you are not exempt from the whole "pride goeth before a fall" thing. Your house of cards, built with the hands of men, cannot stand in this day of the Lord's shaking, where everything that can be shook can and will be shook. Accept your fall, and while down there, low and broken, let your eyes be opened, and let your Holy Bibles be opened while you're at it. Save your liturgical mass readings and your hi-falutin' doctrines, and seek the pure, SIMPLE, basic truth. Seek Christ. Acknowledge His mommy, yeah, but how about you do away with those statues. She's not the one to pray to. Set your altar boys free, tell them to go play soccer or something. And go to kid's church somewhere. You have these children as prisoners in your made-up kingdom, teaching them falsehood, and taking away their innocence because you are deprived of intimacy. Who deprived you of intimacy? Jesus? Where does it say in His Word that

nevermind

Catholic church, take off your pointy triangle hats, your decorated robes, your golden ornaments, your creepy ten million candles lit everywhere, your idols, your made-up rules, your false teachings, and get on your knees and learn some humility.

Jesus Christ is your Lord. Serve Him. Teach from the Bible. Priests, set yourself free. If you are called to be a spiritual leader, how about you spend lots and lots of time privately in His Word (the normal version, not your special Catholic version), lots of heartfelt prayer (that comes from your own heart and mind, not read from something pre-printed), go meet a nice saucy li'l lady and how about you go ahead and tie the knot and knock her up now. It's ok.

God bless and comfort every person who has been hurt by the Catholic church. I would say to you, please don't turn your back on God. That wasn't him.

God bless and comfort every priest who has been hurt by the Catholic church. I would say to you, He loves you so much, and wants you to come to Him in simplicity and humility. The foundation that you stand upon cannot stand forever because it was built by human hands. You are standing on polluted ground. You have added to His Word, and omitted some. You are not standing on truth.

Your grand cathedrals are in place because you have Rome for a Sugar Daddy. That does not make your place of worship any better or any more respected than, say, Brother Cleo's Friday Night Prayer Shindig that's held at the local Denny's.

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January 22, 2020

Subject: False Religion Hi, Amy here (uploader).

I think physical church buildings, and all that goes along with them, in these dark last days, have become prisons.

Not all churches, not every church.

But generally speaking - the church building, and the traditions of man therein - has become a very deceptive stronghold, that hinders the believer in Jesus, more than it helps.

A church's doctrine or statement of belief may appear perfect on paper (or the website, or whatever), but sometimes the problem is not in the "What We Believe" statement, but in the behavior and ways of the clergy and congregation. A little kingdom arises, the people moving in pride with their positions and titles. Coveting and greed arises, seeking (unbiblical) mandatory tithing of the people. Often, the Holy Spirit is squashed, swept under the rug, silenced, hindering the real growth of true believers in Him. Or, the flip side ~ the gifts of the Spirit are blown out of proportion, becoming central to the church/denomination, and this is idolatry. Or, Sabbath worship, making the stance on which day of the week it really was/is a hot topic, and giving it a central place in the doctrine. Idolatry, again.

So many tricks of the enemy, so many distractions and debates and doctrines, all set in place to keep us from focusing on the One, Jesus Christ, our King. All of these doctrines and traditions blind us, and get in the way, bringing confusion and dissention, lest we find the sure path - the narrow path - the one path that leads to life.

His Word is our guidebook for life.

Church is a way for believers to fellowship and worship together, and if a solid, Biblically sound church is found, it is a rare find in today's world. I know there's many out there. But in these end times, there's no time for false things tripping us up, and false things are literally everywhere.

more of my thoughts (writing, audio, misc. items) on faith ~ https://archive.org/details/fav-faithlist

"Shalimarlady Amy"

(happily uncovering lies since 1975, when I found out the truth about Santa. Little did I know, Santa and his cronies (easter bunny and tooth fairy) were only just the beginning.)

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August 22, 2020

Subject: Pressure Brings Change

I've lost track of how many times I've thought of this recording over the years, when facing some sort of challenge, obstacle, or generally uncomfortable situation. It's true - and a little (or a lot) of pressure is what we unfortunately need sometimes to get us going forward and back on track.

more audio like this, on life and faith and so on, in compilation item "A Talks" - https://archive.org/details/atalks

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January 14, 2021

Subject: "Prepackaged Bread"

So, if church gatherings are harder to find - for the reasons mentioned here - the question arises... how DO we go to church these days?

I simply stay home, for now.

my answer to the "church" question -What church do you go to? (audio) https://archive.org/details/whatchurchdoyougoto

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The Horror Of The Heart

When I was a child, I saw the horror movie, The Excorcist. I was utterly terrified and disturbed by it, for years. It gave me nightmares, but I thought none of it was real, so that comforted me, somewhat.

Then as time went on and I discovered that demons WERE a reality, I became disturbed all over again by the memories of that movie.

Then, as even more time went on, and I became a Christian, and learned about the healing power of Jesus, and how He sets us free from all kinds of evil and scary things, I found comfort again. The imagery in that movie, and all the other horror movies, didn't plague my memories any more.

Then, as even MORE time passed, I discovered a whole new type of horror - the reality of unconfessed and unrepentant sin, tucked away comfortably in the heart. The same heart of mine that loves Jesus and others and all the good things.

So what's the "horror" of unrepentant sin? It is a ticket to hell, without the cleansing blood of Christ. Hell, where all the imagary depicted in the horror films come from and portray, that some people think are entertaining to watch. Hell, where real demons torment real human souls. Those who haven't accepted the free gift of Jesus' blood that was shed for us, are in for a real-life horror movie if their own, for eternity.

Hollywood churns out these horror flicks, but we are deceived as we watch them. The scenes of gruesome torture and murder and everything else actually serve to undermine the reality of the very real evil that we face every day - the horror of our hearts.

We grow up exposed to what the media shows us as "evil", and so we go on, thinking nothing can ever be as wicked and horrible as THAT.

But our hearts harbour the very same evils every day, when we don't go to Jesus for cleansing. For example, His word says that if you hate your brother (fellow man), you commit murder in your heart. Murder is a sin. So is hatred. To be angry with someone, without cause, is also a sin. To look upon someone with lust is committing adultery in the heart. These are very real sins in our everyday life that, if left unchecked and not confessed, will take us to hell. Even for someone who calls themselves a "Christian".

Jesus died for all of our sins, past, present, and future. But we must apply that gift to our lives, and go to Him when we sin, ask forgiveness, and repent (turn from, stop doing). Then we get up, and go on. But we cannot abuse His grace. We cannot carry on sinning, thinking it's ok, simply because we believe in Him. The bible says that even the demons believe on Him, and tremble.

It comes down to not just believing in Him, but FOLLOWING Him. That means taking your walk with Him seriously, putting Him first, reading His word, and actually doing what it says.

The thought of unchecked and unrepentant sin in my own heart is horrifying. If I allow just one or two sinful habits to linger, thinking it's nothing, because I'm "saved"... I will be well on my way to hell. And THAT is horrifying.

Today's mainstream churches don't really preach or teach on hell, and if they do, it's a place where only the unbelievers, atheists, and all the others who've rejected Jesus go. That's what I thought too, for a very long time.

Hell is horrible, and it's real.

A prayer -

February 20, 2022

Subject: On The Highway Of Life

God help the horror of my heart. Please cleanse my heart, Lord, and renew my mind. May my most secret and hidden thoughts, motives, desires, and ideas be lined up with Your will. Please wash me clean in Your blood, Lord Jesus. Please cleanse me from all unrighteousness. May my walk with You be pleasing to you.

Thank You Jesus . . . May 26, 2021 Subject: The Horror Of The Heart The realities of these things trouble me every day. I'm serious. The more you know... More audio [some made with text-to-speech] ~ https://amys-playlist.blogspot.com (on blog) Amy October 12, 2021 Subject: BFJ 7 - vapor tweeting This is part of "Birdtown Revival" - in which Birdtown birds find Jesus. Collection ~ https://archive.org/details/fav-brevblo8 (on blog) ~ https://birdtownrevival.blogspot.com/ Amy . . .

I know this is corny, but there are so many analogies to be made, when it comes to living life, and driving a car.

The rear-view mirrors of the past, the lane changes of life decisions, the flat tires of our mistakes... I could go on and on, but I better stop here.

This audio is made with "Daisy", my favorite text to speech voice.

My second favorite is "Harry", a British male voice. He narrarates the cartoons in yet another corny creation of mine -

Christian cartoon compilation

https://archive.org/details/christian-cartoon-compilation

Computer voices are fun, and very convenient for people like me, who enjoy writing. I laugh like a kid every time I hear a text to speech voice "reading" something I wrote.

I almost feel sorry for the computer.

Amy

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February 20, 2022 Subject: Muddy Stairs

This dream was scary and happy, at the same time.

I hope all the metaphorical muddy mountain climbing has helped others, already. And I also hope my mountain treks are over and accomplished, to be honest.

But whatever God wills. I'm His, not my own.

An audio made in 2018 (but compiled/uploaded in 2020) that gets into the nitty gritty of things, a better picture of how it's been so far, climbing the "muddy stairs" \sim

https://archive.org/details/mychristianwalk_202101 (My Christian Walk)

Shortly after this recording was made, everything came tumbling down again, chaos and "mudslides", destruction.

It hasn't been long enough to even think about writing about any of it. I most likely won't, however. Some things are better left unsaid.

That, and I nearly lost my mind (again) because of the events in my life from 2019 - 2021.

Seriously. I don't think I want to remember, much less write about, ANY of it. But then again, maybe in a decade or so, after all the mental dust settles. Yes, it takes that long for my mental stuff to settle in, and find it's proper place in the everlovin' workings of my mind.

Amy

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March 26, 2022 Subject: A New Way

Once things have been processed, dealt with, forgiven, and redeemed, we are free to let it go, and go forward in Him.

Not only are we free to let things go, but required to, in our walk with Jesus.

In Jesus, our old person is dead, and we have new life with Him.

This is the freedom given to those who follow Jesus.

It doesn't matter how bad the old life was, or how much trouble, sin, and chaos took place. Once forgiven, we are free to move forward, cleansed.

He will heal and restore. He will refresh our weary souls. He will guide us further into His truth and His ways.

Memories of our old life - failures and accomplishments, losses and gains, sorrows and joys, and everything inbetween - can be settled down into their rightful place, in our minds, no longer front and center, no longer dominating our every thought, no longer making war against us.

In Jesus, we are free to let it go, and invite HIM to be center stage, and fill our every thought.

a prayer -

Lord Jesus, thank You for reaching me, forgiving me, healing me, teaching me. I give my old life to You, and all the memories of it. I accept my painful, troubled past, the reality of my sin, and the losses I have endured. I accept that my personal life has been a sinful, chaotic mess. Let there be no denial or avoidance anymore. I accept the truth. Please redeem my old life and bring about change according to Your will.

Please heal my mind of my past, and let the memories of it be settled down into the right place in my mind. Let me be washed clean and refreshed in You. Let me go forward with YOU Jesus magnified in my mind. Be front and center in me, take center stage. Let me be free now to serve You whole heartedly with singleness of mind. Use me in Your kingdom daily however You see fit.

In Jesus' name I pray, amen

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April 8, 2022 Subject: Bird Blues

These birds are squawking and talking about God things, which really isn't a bluesy thing, but I wanted to make these cartoons with various background instrumentals,

Blues music makes me feel like a wayward hobo, sitting against a lonely abandoned train, unshackled by the confines of social norms, poor, yet free.

In 1988 (my senior year in high school), there was a popular nightclub in downtown Dallas called The Boiler Room. It just had local bands playing there, with lots of blues music. I remember it being dimly lit, with blue lights, and peanut shells all over the floor.

And I remember sitting there, alone, by choice.

using different music styles, so...

I used to drive there by myself sometimes, and just sit and listen to the music, which was very different from the usual stuff I was into at the time. I remember feeling free, at the age of 17-18, doing things alone, without tangling myself up in involving other people in social plans, and the headaches of coordinating stuff with their schedules, and where THEY wanted to go, and when they wanted to leave. Ever been a teenage girl making plans with friends for the night? Yeah. I figured out early how to get out of all that. I just got over the self-consciousness of

going out alone, and enjoyed myself.

So to this day, whenever I hear blues music, I think of that place, and those early days, when I first discovered how to just be myself.

For better or for worse, alone is my way of choice. (said with gentle, melodic harmonica playing in background)

-Amy

oh, btw, I was sort of a train wreck in those days, and before, and also after, so...

https://archive.org/details/i-was-a-bad-kid-forgive-me

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July 14, 2022

Subject: What Is Church?

What has this world come to, in which poorly drawn cartoon birds attempt to give advice regarding church? What has MY life come to, in which I resort to goofy comics to convey rather serious subjects?

Is the world ok?

...am I ok?

sigh

Ok, well then, here's more cartoons from the same flock ~ Christian Birdtown Comics https://archive.org/details/fav-christian_birdtown_comics

And a (not cartoon) longer bit on the same subject ... more about church https://archive.org/details/more-about-church

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November 3, 2022

Subject: A prayer for deliverance

Last night I dreamed many things, one of which involved a hospital. I saw the entrance, many people coming and leaving the place. Then a large family walked out, leaving the hospital, they were wearing dark clothes, heads down and walking slowly as if in mourning. They were grieving. Then as the family group passed by me I saw one of them pulling along with them their loved one who was deceased. They were an African American family, and the one they were pulling along on a gurney appeared to be a young man, maybe in his late teens or early twenties. He was laid out on the gurney still dressed in the clothes he died in. He looked like a gang member, and I sensed that he was in a life of drugs and violence. He had a gunshot wound in his head. He was being taken away from the hospital by his grieving loved ones. When I saw this scene in the dream, I was wondering why he was being taken away by his own people, when he should be in the morgue, then funeral home? Why was he released like this like a regular discharge, for the family to handle? I prayed about this dream, and have two things to say about it. First, I hope things don't deteriorate to this point in American society, that deceased folks will be turned away from regular procedures in the hospitals. The family in the dream was on their own. Secondly, it was obvious in the dream that the hospital couldn't help this guy. Was he still alive, when brought in? I don't know. All I saw was the sadness, loss, and grief as they slowly carried him away. Dreams are illustrations at times, and the young dead man could not be helped by the medical establishment. He needed deliverance. He needed Jesus. I wrote this simple prayer to help people just like

him. Fill in the blanks with addiction, despair, generational curses. Drug use. Really the blanks can be filled in with anything. Literally anything that hinders or keeps us outside of God's will.

Amy

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November 6, 2022

Subject: Glad Janine's no longer in my head...

This is a scary drawing. Janine is supposed to be a happy girl with an expression of joy, complete with airborne flowers and even a daisy growing right out of her head, but... Her face does not look joyful. It looks dark, creepy, and sinister. What was I thinking? And why did I create such dark and weird works of "art", back in the day. The only explanation is that I myself was still bound up and lost in the darkness. I hate my old artwork and drawings etc. I've destroyed everything I could but I know lots of it remains out there, in the real world, and I hope people will also see how dark and ugly it is and get rid of or destroy whatever "art" they have that I did. I know that sounds harsh but thats how much I hate it. Yet, some has been saved digitally, like Janine here, so I think there is a purpose here. Which brings me to the point of this review. About that flower growing out of her head... A few years ago, in 2020 or so, I had a brief dream, in which a young woman, or a teenage girl? was standing and speaking to me, and I knew she was from another time. She was living in a future time, as in I knew she hasn't been born yet, in my time. Here's the thing- I noticed that there was a strand of ivyliving, ggeen ivy- growing out of her head, as if it were naturally a part of her hair. It was growing from the top of her scalp and fell gently along one side of her head, the same length as the rest of her hair, and it was simply part of her body. It was not a clip or an accessory, it was a living plant and it was part of her. As she talked with me in the dream I perceived that the plant hair strand was a non issue, normal. I can only say that I think this is showing a time of genetic altering/tampering/meddling. Was it by accident that her DNA was altered or infused with plant matteq , or was it done deliberately? This troubles me. Human beings are created perfectly and beautifully by the loving and mighty hand of God, and we are not science projects. We are not lab rats. God have mercy on us all. Please pray that science will not abuse it's rightful place and purpose in the world. We are fearfully and wonderfully made. The enemy seeks to change that. - Amy

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November 6, 2022 Subject: Forest Path

Another video I put together using animation & music made by others, and its so fun and relaxing I'd do it all day if I could. This video makes me think of living life, and how it feels very much like moving slowly through an unknown forest. Dark for the most part, with no clear road to travel on, just footworn earth that's been walked on by those who went before you. My life so far has very much been a dark path in a forest, but with plenty of sunbeams breaking through the trees. Those rays of light are the guidance and tender love of the King - my Lord Jesus Christ. He is my everything. He lights my way. He brings order where there's confusion, peace where there's fear, growth when I'm stagnant. I think we all have to venture out and go through our own forests. But we don't have to go through it alone. Amy Lohrman

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Subject: pharmakea

Our minds are valuable. Why do we abuse them with drugs? Why did *I* do so many drugs back in the day? Why didn't I even care about it?

I had this dream recently - I was on a fast moving train with some other people, and suddenly there was a knock on the train door- coming from the outside. But the train was still going, really fast, down the rails. I sensed the danger immediately and knew not to open the door. But there was an old friend of mine on the train who stood up to answer the door- and I yelled to her DONT OPEN IT!! ...but it was too late, she opened it and a demon grabbed her and pulled her out of the train. The door shut again and the train kept on flying down the tracks, my friend could not be rescued. She was taken by the enemy. I couldnt save her. This dream is sad but is a reality. You can warn people, share what you know, pray for them, but everybody makes their own choices. -Amy Lohrman (audio talk about Godarchive.org/details/christian-talk)

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December 3, 2022

Subject: how it is for some of us "people of the mind"

I put this video together just for fun and relaxation, and have stated before that I would do it all day if I could, but being a middle aged adult, I can't play all the time online, God has other stuff for me to do. One of which is sharing certain things that might be helpful to others. So today I'm going to share another dream that I had recently. It describes perfectly what it's like in my mind. In the dream I needed to go shopping at the grocery store. Just an everyday thing, right? Well, in this dream, I go in, and notice the fabric grocery bag/tote that I brought in had a big tear in the bottom of it, a big rip, like almost half of the bottom of it was open, there was no way it could hold anything. If I were to put anything in there, it would probably fall right out. So I looked for a cart to use, and found one, but the basket part was only a few inches long. Couldn't even hold a loaf of bread. So I looked again for another basket, and saw what appeared to be a normal sized one, but someone's baby was in it, I couldn't use it. At this point, I was so frustrated that I left the store, empty handed. Imagine having money to pay for groceries, legs to walk with, a brain to think with, in a well lit store chock full of all the things, but unable to obtain the goods, and having to just leave. This is how it is in the heads of those who have mental issues and can't handle things, either consistently or just sometimes. I struggle with it sometimes, and when it comes, I feel like the wooden guy in this animation. I'm sharing this to help explain the disconnect/confusion that is common with those with mental problems, maybe someone you know, but you don't understand. Maybe they don't have the words to explain or describe it. But I do (sort of). If you know someone who's like this, please don't judge them or ridicule them or reject them or pressure them to be something they are unable to be. Just hug them. (if they'll let you) -Amy Lohrman (audio things - archive.org/details/amy-talks-your-head-off-audio-version)

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December 4, 2022

Subject: The Wheelchair Diaries

Ok. Mysteries are getting solved, regarding what happened that caused me to lose my physical strength completely and leaving me unable to even stand up during that time. That surreal decade in the Florida Panhandle. I refrain from going into too much detail about my medical things, because privacy reasons, and it's my own business to choose to share or not to share. Today I'm ok with saying this about my bones- I have degenerative disc disease, osteoarthritis, and other bone and spinal problems. It's mainly in my spine, and pelvis, and other places throughout my skeleton. I'm recieving excellent medical care and am completely fine. I use a

walker at home to help keep me upright. Pain is managed fine. I'm happy and God is so good to me. So what happened in Florida, that made me unable to even stand up? The doctors here say it was most likely a combo-pack of things- bones, nervous system, and extreme stress. I do think they're right. That's all I'm gonna say about that. So, if I never get around to discussing exactly why I'm moving about "slower than Methusala" (as one neighbor in Florida so lovingly pointed out), this is why. My bones have retired early. - Amy Lohrman archive.org/details/text_20211129

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December 5, 2022 Subject: bird 8

This is another stock / public domain photograph that I helped myself to and doused in layers upon needless layers of art filters / edits, just for fun. And it was a beautiful bird, before I got ahold of it. Peacocks are colorful, and seem to enjoy displaying their feathery decorative plumage. People call them vain and proud, but I disagree. They're just using the assets that God equipped them with, in order to attract a mate. I think that was nice of God to give the male birds something extra. More colorful appearances, more melodic singing, nest building skills, and even awesome dance moves, in some species. For the most part, male birds really need these dating advantages, because birds are nerds. So I don't think it's accurate to say that peacocks are proud and vain, as those are sins, and animals don't sin. People sin, and some traits in animals serve to remind us of our own sin. Thanks, animals. I have an audio on vanity-

https://ia601408.us.archive.org/4/items/talk-about-god-zip/vanity.mp3 ...recorded in 2019 (contained in item "Talk About God + zip") in which I talk about the woes of vanity and coming out from it. It's so much more than focusing on one's appearance, it's also self-centeredness, needing/wanting attention, etc. God please help us all to let go of ourselves and focus on giving You all the attention praise and glory. Amy Lohrman archive.org/details/text_20211201

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December 5, 2022

Subject: I Was A Bad Kid, Forgive Me

This is such a loaded subject in my life, and increasing even more, with the passing of time. I thought that as we get older and wiser, we make peace with our past. Guess I wasn't invited to that party, because as time goes by, and I learn and grow, and ask God to open my eyes, and help me mature in His ways, I am mortified at my old personality, character, and basically everything I was and tried to be. God had mercy on me and grabbed me out of the darkness. Why? I ask Him this on occasion but the only thing I understand is that I always had faith, but even that isn't to my own credit, because faith is a gift. I just can't comprehend His goodness. As a child, long before I came to Jesus (at age 17), I was exposed to witchcraft and occult things, such as ouija board playing, tarot cards being "read" to me, being taught how to do seances and participating in them, etc. And all this starting around the age of 7 or so, not at my own house, but at a neighbor's. Through this neighbor I was also exposed (again, as a very young child) to horror movies and books, pornography, and "alternative lifestyle" things. To young me, all this was normal and cool and fun. To middle-age me, I shudder at the memories. A doorway was opened up to my young spirit that has taken me a lifetime to close. Einstein said that imagination is more important than knowledge, but I beg to differ. God's word tells us that His people are destroyed for lack of knowledge (Hosea 4:6). I would give anything to go back in time and trade in all of my imagination, for just a shred of the knowledge of God. Btw I don't hold it against those who were a bad influence to childhood me- I completely forgive- knowing full

well that I, in turn, was unfortunately a bad influence to so many others, and hope that they have or will forgive me. Text on my thoughts about my highschool days-archive.org/details/1987-yearbook -Amy Lohrman archive.org/details/Bfj24-BirdBlues

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December 6, 2022

Subject: Christian Cartoon Compilation

I just spent 86 billion lightyears today, attempting to reduce this video file size. I managed to get it down to a better size, but with all the compression, it looked awful. So then, I spent 55 million MORE hours online trying to remake it, thinking the outcome would be a lower MB, but- alas- it turned out to be like TWICE as much as this one. Now I remember why I uploaded this file, as is. I think I did try to reduce it, when first making it, but it took too long. So I uploaded it like this, probably the biggest video file I ever made, in hopes it will still be viewable to some. Maybe someone with a big giant computer. So, because I couldn't do a smaller file size compilation to link to in this review, here's two item groups, containing the "loose" files (originals) that were used in creating this compilation -

various items of the Christian variety archive.org/details/fav-christian_faith_media

(other "Jesus Loves You" things)
archive.org/details/fav-jesus_loves_you_ringtones_and_cartoons

...+ it also has some ringtones that go along with it.

(I never claimed to be a Professional Christian Media Mogul, so please forgive all my slipshod ways)

So the whole reason that I wanted to write a review for this one is to explain the whole "Jesus loves you" theme. It's such a simple statement, but I made these funny cartoon videos (not really MADE them, they were stock animations that are free to reuse & remix, etc) and added the background tracks... shortly after returning to Texas, from Florida, last year.

My head was a little bit (a lot, actually) mixed up shortly after coming back, so I got some help for that, and still am getting help for it, for lots of other reasons, but I digress... So in this process of getting some much needed "upstairs" help, I met and spoke with someone else who was in the same boat as me, and we got to talking about faith and Jesus and Christianity. She seemed to be outspoken about Him in real life, which I am not (when it comes to real life, physical humans around me). I asked her, "so, how do you tell real people around you about Jesus?" To which she responded, "I usually just start by saying something simple like, Jesus loves you, and sometimes that's all I ever say." I thanked her, and helped her out with a problem she was having, then we parted ways. I remembered that conversation shortly afterwards, when I was in the mood to create some new things. So ya'll have her to thank for these silly Jesus cartoons.

Which also reminds me of a sunny day in Florida, back in 2016 or so, there was a lone random wayward woman, walking down the street, a bit dissheveled, who looked everyone she saw square in the eye, and pointed sharply at them, like she was poking them with an air finger, and each time she saw someone and did this motion, she said, "Jesus loves YOU". She walked around and pointed at everyone she saw, saying this. My grouchy neighbor, who was sitting on his front porch when he received his air poke from her, said, "there must be a gas leak around here"... Again, I remember that woman, and also have HER to thank for these cartoons. I was inspired by her, too.

Also, in Florida, the last house that I lived in, someone wrote Jesus loves you in

the cement of part of the driveway. Seeing that note in the ground every day was a comfort to me when I needed it the most. So I also have a patch of cement to thank for these cartoons.

Oh, did I mention that ... JESUS LOVES YOU?

Amy Lohrman

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December 7, 2022

Subject: it was a dark and stormy night...

This audio is a little on the heavy / intense side. But when you gotta tell your stories, it just gets like that sometimes. I do have some happy fun ones that also need telling, now that most of the heavy deep stuff has been brought out of my head... such as the time that I was walking a long distance with someone back in 2011, we were walking because we had to, not out for a fun leisurely stroll or anything. We had to walk several miles that day and my feet began to hurt in a new strange way on that walk about halfway there, they began to hurt on the tops, not the bottoms. And I was wearing flipflops (stupidly). I began to limp from the sharp pains on both feet, each step felt like there were broken bones or tendons (or something). I had to stop, there on the sidewalk, and pray. I asked God to help me go the rest of the distance. When I finished praying we started walking again, rounded the corner, and there, on the sidewalk, was a pair of tennishoes. I kid you not. They were placed neatly on the curb, obviously a donation by whoever lived there. I laughed when I saw this timely gift from God and put them on immediately. They were older white Reeboks I think, just a size or two too big, but they felt AWESOME and I was then able to keep going. The person I was walking with was amazed, so I told him he better get used to answered prayers and miracles, if he was going to walk a mile with me. God never fails. He ALWAYS comes through. Amy Lohrman archive.org/details/bibles-pics-talk-zip

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December 8, 2022

Subject: Bird Sitting On Eggs

This bird has lots of eggs to keep up with. How did she have so many eggstra? Last night I dreamed of a baby that I was trying to take care of, and it got it's foot caught in the rails of it's crib while trying to climb out. I managed to get the little foot loose, and comforted the child with love and concern while checking for injuries. Then I picked the child up to hold it, only to discover a plastic battery cover on it's back. That's when I realized, the child was a doll, a fake. I knew then, in the dream, I was wasting my time on something that wasn't even a real thing to care for. Aeter waking up and praying about it, I understand this is a simple illustration of allowing distractions in life to derail us and use up our energy and time, which keeps us from the matters and tasks we're supposed to be doing. More than distractions- it's also burdens, problems, and cares that we can't change or control. Gotta let that baby go. For me also, it's not allowing myself to be knocked down and destroyed, emotionally or otherwise, when life happens. Even when I see that people that I once knew, and loved, have passed away. I look at the obituaries often, and am amazed at how many people I see have died that were once a part of my life. I process the knowledge of their passing privately, pray, then resolve to move forward. After what happened with my brother back in 1998, I have grown to view death in a healthier way, for the sake of the living. Do you have a big pile of eggs you're sitting on, keeping warm with anxiety, concern, grief, control? We can ask Jesus to take all those eggstra problems out from under us, and

He will. Try it. Don't be chicken :) Amy Lohrman archive.org/details/itsoktositandstareintospace